

IN THE CLAIMS:

Prior to examination, please cancel claims 6-12.

1. (Original) A portable radio device allowing radio communication through an antenna, comprising:

a housing having a lower end portion shaped to locally protrude and then taper down towards a lower end of the housing, wherein the antenna is provided within the lower end portion.

2. (Original) The portable radio device according to claim 1, wherein the housing has a major surface, wherein the lower end portion protrudes from the major surface and tapers down towards the lower end of the housing.

3. (Original) The portable radio device according to claim 2, wherein a speaker and a microphone used for telephone conversation are provided on the major surface, wherein the microphone is provided on the major surface at a position higher than the lower end portion.

4. (Original) The portable radio device according to claim 3, wherein a center portion of the lower end portion corresponding to the microphone is cut away to form a plane portion.

5. (Original) The portable radio device according to claim 4, wherein the plane portion is flush with the major surface provided with the microphone.

6-12 (cancelled)